The President announced his intention to nominate Thomas L. Garthwaite to be Under Secretary for Health for the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Nominations Submitted to the Senate

The following list does not include promotions of members of the Uniformed Services, nominations to the Service Academies, or nominations of Foreign Service officers.

Submitted May 8

Owen James Sheaks,

of Virginia, a career member of the Senior Executive Service, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (verification and compliance) (new position).

Submitted May 9

Paul C. Huck,

of Florida, to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Florida, vice Kenneth L. Ryskamp, retired.

Marjorie Ransom,

of the District of Columbia, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Career Minister, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Yemen.

Submitted May 11

Barry Edward Carter,

of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, vice Sally A. Shelton.

John W. Darrah,

of Illinois, to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, vice George M. Marovich, retired.

Joan Humphrey Lefkow,

of Illinois, to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, vice Ann C. Williams, elevated. Ricardo Morado,

of Texas, to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, vice Filamon B. Vela, retired.

Michael J. Reagan,

of Illinois, to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois, vice an additional position created December 10, 1999, pursuant to the provisions of 28 U.S.C. 372(b).

George Z. Singal,

of Maine, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Maine, vice Morton A. Brody, deceased.

Mark S. Wrighton,

of Missouri, to be a member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2006, vice Robert M. Solow, term expired.

Checklist of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

Released May 8

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing a state visit of President Thabo Mbeki of South Africa on May 22

List of attendees of the President's meeting with organizers of the Million Mom March

Released May 9

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Joe Lockhart

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that President Fernando de la Rua will meet with the President in the Oval Office on June 13

Transcript of a May 8 interview of Chief of Staff John Podesta and Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman by members of the National Association of Farm Broadcasters

Released May 10

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Joe Lockhart

Announcement of nomination for U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Florida

Released May 11

Transcript of a press briefing by Deputy Press Secretary Jake Siewert and Assistant Press Secretary for Foreign Affairs P.J. Crowley

Released May 12

Announcement of nominations for U.S. District Judge for the Northern and Southern Districts of Illinois, the Southern District of Texas, and the District of Maine

Acts Approved by the President

Approved May 5

S.J. Res. 40 / Public Law 106–198 Providing for the appointment of Alan G. Spoon as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution

S.J. Res. 42 / Public Law 106–199 Providing for the reappointment of Manuel L. Ibanez as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution